check their accuracy by personal enquiries from day to day. The Treasury Deputy Collector also has to check the figures before they are published in the Gazette.

(*d*) & (*e*) Complaints questioning the accuracy of the figures should be addressed to the Collector of the district.

(*f*) The Government are not aware of any rule on the subject.

Mr. A. B. SHETTY :—" With regard to answer to clause (*c*), Sir, May I know whether the Government made any enquiry to find out that the officers mentioned in the answer do really make personal enquiries from day to day and check the figures, as they are expected to do ?"

The hon. Sir NORMAN MARJORIBANKS :—" They have no reason to doubt it ?"

Mr. A. B. SHETTY :—" With regard to the answer to clause (*f*), the answer given is not the proper answer to my question. May I request the hon. the Revenue Member to give the answer required in clause (*f*) ?"

The hon. Sir NORMAN MARJORIBANKS :—" I do not know what further answer I can give, Sir."

Irrigation

Area on which inclusion fee has not been paid.

* 584 Q.—Mr. A. KALESWARA RAO : Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of acres on which inclusion fees has not been paid up to end of fasli 1337 though they were included in the ayacut of Kistna Eastern Delta ;

(*b*) the number of acres out of them which have been cultivated wet by ryots on which penal assessments have been levied by Government in faslis 1337, 1336 and 1335, respectively ; and the total amount of penal assessments levied on them in each one of those three faslis ; and

(*c*) the number of acres out of them which are kept waste by ryots in each one of these three faslis for fear of penal assessment being levied ?

A.—(*a*), (*b*) & (*c*) The Government have not the information and have called for a report.

Supply of water for irrigation from the Red Hills tank.

* 585 Q.—Mr. C. N. MUTHURANGA MUDALIYAR : Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have come to any definite conclusions with regard to the supply of water for irrigation from the Red Hills tank to the Red Hills and other villages under the tank ;

(*b*) if the answer to (*a*) be in the affirmative, whether the Government will place on the table a statement of their decision in the matter ;

(*c*) if the answer to (*a*) be in the negative, whether the Government propose to take early steps to allay the longstanding grievances of the villagers under the Red Hills tank ;

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(*d*) whether the Government are aware that the agricultural ryots under the Red Hills tank are being put to serious loss on account of the insufficient supply of water from the Red Hills tank;

(*e*) whether the Government propose to cut off altogether the supply of water from the Red Hills tank to agricultural ryots;

(*f*) if the answer to (*e*) be in the affirmative, whether the Government have consulted legal opinion as to the rights of the ryots to the supply of water from the Red Hills tank;

(*g*) if the answer to (*f*) be in the affirmative, whether the Government will lay on the table a statement about the legal opinion obtained; and

(*h*) if the answer to (*f*) be in the negative, whether the Government will consider the advisability of obtaining legal opinion on the matter?

A.—(*a*) *to* (*c*) The issues of water for the irrigation of lands under the Red Hills tank are governed by rules which were framed with due regard to the rights of parties and the necessity for the supply of drinking water for the City of Madras. Certain improvements to the upper supply channel leading from the Tamarapak anicut to the Cholavaram tank estimated to cost Rs. 86,250 are in progress and will be completed in about a month.

(*d*) The Government have received complaints to this effect and as stated above are doing what they can to improve the supply to the Red Hills tank.

(*e*) No. Issues for irrigation will continue to be allowed in accordance with the rules referred to above.

(*f*), (*g*) & (*h*) In view of the negative answer to clause (*e*) these points do not arise.

Mr. C. N. MUTHURANGA MUDALIYAR:—"May I know, Sir, whether the improvements which are in progress to the upper supply channel leading from the Tamarapak anicut to the Cholavaram tank, will improve the chances of water-supply to the ryots?"

The hon. Sir NORMAN MARJORIBANKS:—"That is why it was undertaken."

Dr. B. S. MALLAYYA:—"May I know, whether the Government are aware that the Public Health Minister received a deputation from the ryots and that he promised them compensation from the Corporation of Madras for the loss of their revenue from cultivation due to shortage of water?"

The hon. Sir NORMAN MARJORIBANKS:—"I am not aware of it."

Mr. SAMI VENKATACHALAM CHETTI:—"May I know from the hon. Member if the upper supply channel which is being improved is only intended to give benefit to the ryots?"

The hon. Sir NORMAN MARJORIBANKS:—"It depends on the supply and the amount of water that will be stored for the purpose."

Diwan Bahadur R. N. AROGYASWAMI MUDALIYAR:—"May I know, Sir, whether it is the intention of Government to carry out such comprehensive improvements as will overcome the present difficulty about irrigation?"

The hon. Sir. NORMAN MARJORIBANKS:—"It remains to be seen whether what is being done will have that effect or whether something more is necessary."

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Diwan Bahadur R. N. Arogyaswami Mudaliyar :—" Is it the intention of Government only to carry out improvements to the upper supply channel and then to wait and see what further should be done ? "

The hon. Sir Norman Marjoribanks :—" We are carrying out the suggestions for improvement made by the Engineers. If these are found inadequate we shall see what more can be done."

Dr. B. S. Mallayya :—" May I know, Sir, if there is shortage of rain, what the Government are going to do for the supply of water ? "

The hon. Sir Norman Marjoribanks :—" That question I must leave to be answered by the hon. Member himself."

Central Record Office

Publications made by Mr. H. Dodwell as Curator of the Madras Record office.

* 586 Q.—Mr. Basheer Ahmad Sayeed : Will the hon. the Member for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) how long Mr. H. Dodwell was holding the post of Curator of the Madras Record office ;

(b) what were the publications that were published by him in respect of cataloguing, press listing, translation of Ananda Ranga Pillai Diary, printing of old records, etc. ; and

(c) who attended to the several duties connected with the Record office between 1908 to 1911 under publication, research and referencing ?

A.—(a) From April 1911 to March 1922.

(b) A complete list of the publications issued by Mr. Dodwell is not readily available.

(c) In 1908 a Superintendent was appointed to be in charge of the records under the Chief Secretary. In 1909, the Superintendent was placed under the general direction of Mr. C. M. Schmidt, who was then Inspector-General of Registration.

Preparation of the calendar after 1755 in the Record office.

* 587 Q.—Mr. Basheer Ahmad Sayeed : Will the hon. the Member for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) whether at present any calendar is being prepared in the Record office for the period after 1755 ;

(b) who prepared the manuscripts of the calendars and when ;

(c) in what stage it was left when the present Curator took charge of the office ;

(d) when the work will be completed ;

(e) whether it is a fact that except passing the proofs that are checked by the clerk on this duty, there is nothing else to be done under this head of work also ;

(f) when the manuscripts of calendars, if any after 1755, were sent to the press for printing ; and

(g) what is the delay due to, in not issuing this work till now ?